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Photo by Warren Riley

The Red Hawks scrum against the Brock Bull Dogs, but drop the test 22-5. For the full story, see page 24.

Colourfest paints the town gold

By Mark Arke

Now that the pumpkins have been put away, the stages disassembled and volunteers are catching up on some rest, business owners and organizers of this year's Colourfest are reflecting on the fifth annual event.

"We had a good day," said Jason Glecoff, one of the store managers at Haliburton's Stedmans V&S Department Store. "The numbers weren't like last year, but it was still better than

a Saturday would normally be at this time of year."

Colourfest took place on Sept. 29 in the Village of Haliburton and was marketed as a family fun event for all. Attractions included a vintage car show with 79 cars, a pet contest, buskers on main street, live entertainment in Head Lake Park and more. The all-day event was organized by Gail Stelter and hosted by the Haliburton Village Business Improvement Area (BIA).

Glecoff said the construction project on Highland Street didn't seem to cause any problems.

"Those guys were very accommodating and everything went very well," he said.

Across the street at Momma G's Tea, visitors kept coming through the door.

"We had a great weekend," said owner Tracey Lee Green.

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A natural work of billboards

By Lisa Harrison

Ah, Haliburton. Autumn air, autumn colours, the fresh blossoming of billboards and data transmission towers...

County councillors have been fielding complaints from their constituents about both of these eye-catching intrusions on the landscape throughout the summer and it's continuing into fall.

"We seemed to have gotten away unscathed," says Reeve Carol Moffatt of her township, Algonquin Highlands. "Then all of a sudden the orange tape started going up" to mark out sites for billboards on Highway 35 and Haliburton has become "a natural work of billboards" instead of art, she added.

"The numbers are so greatly increased they really are an eyesore."

Moffatt says most complaints she's heard about billboard proliferation have been casual – at restaurants, the gas station – but a formal letter has now been sent to county council about it.

"The harsh reality is that there are three sides to this," says Moffatt. "There are the people who like driving a pretty, leafy road who don't need the services and don't see the purpose for all these billboards. Then there are those who pay money for the promotion when we need to promote our businesses. And there's the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) which makes money. Two camps are making money off the signs."

The MTO's Corridor Signing Policy states that billboards can be placed as close as 305 metres in areas designated as rural with posted speed limits of over 70 km/h, and as close as 75 metres in built-up or urban areas with posted speed limits of under 70 km/h.

However, under the policy, Highway 35 north of Fenelon Falls and Highway 118 west of Highway 28 are designated bush country highways.

"In 2011, the Ministry revised its Corridor Signing Policy to allow signs within the right-of-way on highways designated as bush country highways provided they were set back 9.0 metres," says Gordon Rennie, regional issues and media advisor for the MTO's northeastern region. "Prior to this, signs would normally have been located on private property outside the highway limits where conditions allowed."

The policy states that bush country billboards must be spaced a minimum of 305 metres apart when allowed closer to a highway, but commercial location signs can be set as close as 46 metres.

Rennie says the spaces are minimum distances established in order to reduce distractions and ensure drivers can clearly see upcoming entrances and

intersections, and that the policies were developed through stakeholder consultation.

He advises questions and comments can be addressed through the MTO website at <http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/engineering/management/corridor/sign-policy/index.shtml>.

Minden Hills Reeve Barb Reid says she's had no complaints about billboards, but quite a few about new data transmission towers going up, especially the newest one on the east side of Gull Lake.

"It's quite visible and nobody likes it."

Reid says on a recent visit to Muskoka she asked a friend about the strange trees on Lake Rousseau, only to learn they're towers disguised – oddly – to look like trees.

Disguised or not, the towers are "the price of economic freedom and enjoyment" in the north, says Reid, and when she hears complaints, "it's a short conversation."

Some tower siting in eastern Ontario are managed under the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN), an initiative by the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus to enable high-speed Internet access across the region, scheduled for completion in 2013.

According to the EORN website, EORN is building a 5,500-kilometre fibre optic "backbone" across the region and accepts proposals from Internet service providers (ISPs) to build local area access networks on that backbone. Those networks require a mix of wired, wireless and satellite technologies, which involve towers.

EORN has established several criteria for tower siting, including preferred use of existing structures and environmental, health, and safety considerations. The ISP must also go through a protocol established by Industry Canada, which includes notice to surrounding neighbours and a 30-day public comment period.

More information is available at <http://www.eorn.ca/assets/Uploads/EORNFactSheetENTowerMay28.pdf>.

The report Canadian Municipalities and the Regulation of Radio Antennae and their Support Structures on the Industry Canada website, modified Aug. 31, notes "there are many aspects of the health, safety and aesthetics of radio antennae and their support structures which the federal government does not regulate. Many of the aspects, not subject to federal control, are of immediate concern to Canadian municipalities. Constitutional Law must be examined to see how municipalities may be legally permitted to regulate on the absence of, or concurrently to, federal powers and policies in this area."

More information is available at <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/smt-gst.nsf/eng/sf09386.html>.

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By Ashley Campbell

\$10,000 brings smiles to the county

You're going to be seeing a lot more smiles around the county thanks to the Haliburton County Development Corporation (HCDC) and the Volunteer Dental Outreach (VDO) program.

On Sept. 27, HCDC presented the VDO with a cheque for \$10,000.

"There is a pot of money that is set aside for community-based projects," said Patti Tallman, the community economic development/operations manager for the HCDC. "It's to a good cause [because] people can't afford dental work... being able to give dental work to people who can't afford it is phenomenal."

The VDO helps Haliburton County's low-income residents get free dental care. With the help of their volunteers, the clinic has seen 227 patients since its opening on May 18, 2011.

"The volunteers in this community are amazing."

Pictured above from left to right are Betty Mills, VDO board member; Brigitte Gebauer, VDO board member; Janis Parker, VDO board member; Skye Smith, VDO dental assistant; Mark Arike, VDO board member; Barb Bolin, HCDC director; Gary Stoner, HCDC director; Andrew Hodgson, HCDC director; Lisa Kerr, VDO board member; Wendy Gunning, HCDC director; Barry Brown, HCDC director; Bill Obee, HCDC chair; Rick Ashall, HCDC director; Peter Fredricks, HCDC director; Lauren Forbes, HCDC director; and Andy Campbell, HCDC general manager.

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Editorial opinion

Colours abound

Colourfest has come and gone, but thankfully the fall colours have decided to stick around a bit longer.

This is my first experience with fall in the Highlands. While I've seen beautiful colours before, this is truly something else. Who knew leaves could turn those shades of deep scarlet, or have such an intricate blend of yellows and reds?

Driving anywhere these past two weeks has been somewhat challenging.

For starters, it's hard to stay on the road while my attention is captured by the amazing foliage along the highway. Lucky for me the police haven't been around to observe me swerving from lane to lane, trying to catch one last glimpse of that perfect shade of orange in my rear-view mirror. It's hardly safe driving, but I can't help myself.

The other problem is the queue of cars behind me as I drive in to the office. By the blaring horns and rude gestures, I can only assume these people aren't enjoying the scenery as much as I am. It's hard to imagine why. No two trees are alike. No leaf matches the next. And to top it off, due to ever-changing colours, no two trips are the same.

In fact, it's been very hard to keep to my schedule. I am always finding myself

pulled over by the side of the road, camera in hand, trying to capture this epic fall season for my family in Ottawa who, sadly, won't have half the shades we do.

There was a time, probably about six months ago, when I would have scoffed at city-folk who pay money for a bus tour of the Highlands just to see some leaves. But no more. This season has turned me into my father. A slow-driving, see everything you can despite the queue behind you kind of motorist who makes no apologies for enjoying the scenery.

As I prepare to go home for Thanksgiving, I'm struggling with how to break the news to my family that I've aged 30 years in the few months I've been here.

But that's the beauty of the Highlands. You don't need to explain to the people who have been here, because this place touches everyone in one way or another.

I'm sad the colours won't be around much longer, but I'm already starting to wonder what surprises the winter may hold for me. Unfortunately, I doubt they will be as inspiring.



By Matthew Desrosiers

Photo of the week

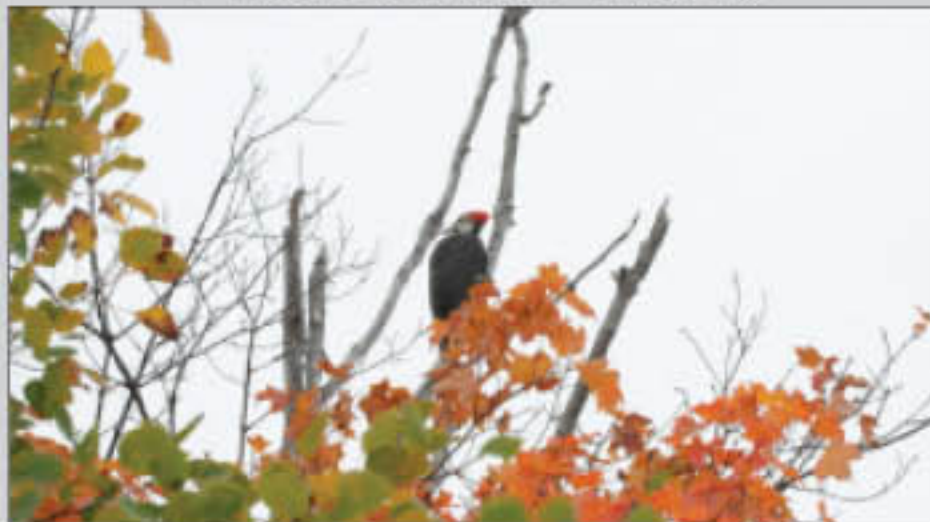


Photo by Mark Arike

Even the birds are stopping to enjoy the vibrant fall colours. Submit your photo of the week to matthew@haliburtonhighlander.ca

Worth a discussion

This week, MP Barry Devolin explained to Matthew (sort of) his vote in favour of Conservative MP Stephen Woodworth's motion to study when a fetus becomes a human being (see next week's issue for more on this interview). Woodworth brought the motion because ever since the Supreme Court struck down the abortion law in 1988, abortion at any stage of a pregnancy, right up to the moment before birth, has been technically legal. Woodworth thinks there's a problem with that.

Stephen Harper has repeatedly promised not to reopen the abortion debate. True to his word, he proved the conspiracy theorists wrong by voting against the motion and has indeed consistently, and from all appearances sincerely, tried to avoid discussion of the issue. Not so for some of his ministers, including Rona Ambrose, Minister for the Status of Women, who voted in favour.

For that vote, Ambrose was the subject of outrage from women's groups across the country. How can Ambrose possibly represent the interests of women, they asked, when she's jumping on the bandwagon to restrict choice? Her vote was seen by many as an attack on women's reproductive rights and health.

Really?

Woodworth's views on abortion are well-known. His constituents are familiar with them and they elected him anyway. As their representative, he has every right — in fact, as I argued in a previous column, an obligation — to bring forward issues on their behalf, even if they're issues deemed off limits by the Prime Minister.

Was the motion a Trojan horse intended to reopen the entire abortion debate, possibly with the objective of banning it outright? Probably, given Woodworth's publicly-stated views and self-characterization as a "pro-lifer." But to prevent any discussion of the subject is like saying we can't talk

about speed limits because it will lead to a ban on cars. The offended women's groups are being as fundamentalist in their views as their anti-choice opponents, and Stephen Harper is once again thumbing his nose at our representative democracy by stifling a debate many Canadians want to have.

When a fetus should be entitled to human rights, if ever, is a scientific and medical question. What we're really asking is, when does a fetus become a child? It may very well be at the moment of birth, but most people instinctively believe otherwise. When you subtract the fundamentalists on both sides of the argument, the majority of Canadians (52 per cent in 2001, according to Gallup) believes that the right to choose should be limited to a certain number of months that roughly correspond with viability, sentience, or both, except for cases where the mother's life is in danger. Most people, including former Supreme Court Justice Bertha Wilson, would place that number between three and five.

Considering the implications of getting that number wrong, scientific inquiry into the question is perfectly justified. I find it hard to believe that any thinking person would not seriously question the current state of the law (that is, no law); even the most ardent of pro-choice advocates must have concerns about terminating a pregnancy at nine months. Or six.

By stifling the discussion, both the Prime Minister and choice advocates are not just showing disdain for democracy, they're turning an essentially scientific question into a political one. On issues as important as when human life begins, politics should have nothing to do with it.



By Bram Lebo

Mark one

This week, The Highlander celebrates one year of operations. Our first paper was sixteen pages, fortuitously timed to report the previous night's provincial election results when Laurie Scott was re-elected as our MPP. By Canada Day we had produced our opus, fifty-two pages packed with news and coverage of everything local under that hot July sun.

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Correction

In 'Stroke survivors are not alone' (see The Highlander, Issue 51, pg. 22), it was reported the stroke support group meets on the third Wednesday of every month. They actually meet on the third Thursday of every month. The Highlander regrets the error.

Letters to the Editor

Re: Dug in

Dear editor,

In his commentary of Sept. 27 (see 'Dug in', The Highlander, Issue 51, pg. 4), Bram Lebo discusses the pros and cons of the current street work taking place in Minden and Haliburton. He expresses some skepticism about the long-term economic benefits of investing in these projects, which will improve the streets and sidewalks in terms of both pedestrian accessibility and aesthetics, stating, "There's scant evidence for this assumption."

On the contrary: there is a significant and growing body of evidence that demonstrates that efforts and investments to improve the pedestrian environment have clear economic benefits. An attractive and welcoming pedestrian-friendly street encourages more people to get out of their cars and walk. They are then more likely to stroll, stay longer, and go into more stores (Walk Boston). This is particularly important in communities with tourism-based economies such as Haliburton County. If visitors have a pleasant, safe and convenient experience walking on our main streets, there is a better chance that they will make a return trip.

Dr. Rodney Tolley (Walk21), an internationally recognized expert in creating pedestrian-friendly communities (and who spoke at a workshop in Haliburton in 2007), states in his report *Good for*

Business: The benefits of making streets more walking and cycling friendly, that "a good physical environment is a good economic environment."

He provides evidence from a number of case studies from around the world. Whether in urban centres or small communities, a focus on making individual streets more welcoming to pedestrians has been shown to result in "higher visitation levels and frequencies, longer dwell times and higher levels of expenditure per head." In addition, his research indicates that streetscape improvements add value to an area, and attract new tenants and businesses by creating an impression that the area is prosperous.

Communities of all sizes across Ontario and North America are recognizing the value of making improvements for pedestrians. The Communities in Action Committee applauds the Municipality of Dysart et al and the Township of Minden Hills for their investments to make downtown Haliburton and Minden more pedestrian-friendly and appealing. Places and spaces that encourage more people to walk more often are beneficial in many ways: for our health, the environment and local economic activity.

Sue Shikaze
Haliburton
Chair, Communities in Action committee

A bad choice

Dear editor,

A few weeks ago, at the CEWF Annual General Meeting, Barry Devolin talked about tabling a private members bill that would help the Trent Severn Waterway (TSW).

He mentioned two options. One was to advocate for the formation of an independent agency to manage the operation of the TSW system. The other was to ask that the TSW be moved from Parks Canada, to another federal department.

The first option would provide better management but no new money and had very little chance of getting approval. The second would provide the potential for much-needed money.

At a glance, his decision to pursue the first option could be seen as an attempt to give the impression that he is actively engaged and trying to come up with ways of making the TSW safer and better, but really is nothing more than a smokescreen for doing nothing.

This proposal, for the creation of an Independent Water Management Agency, was the lynchpin recommendation in the TSW Report (It's All About the Water) that was tabled in 2008. It would have made a big difference then. But it is four-and-a-half years too late and more difficult to implement now that the TSW is being merged with the Rideau Canal (RC). It also does nothing to solve the real problem of repairing the aging dams.

The second proposal not only makes more sense, but has a chance of succeeding – if he can focus his political skills and engage his peers in parliament.

As he explained, the TSW and RC are not parks. They have no well-defined boundaries. They have no federally maintained campsites. They occupy populated and developed areas rather than virgin forest. Put simply, they do not resemble parks in any way and therefore do not belong in Parks Canada. Also, the

entire budget of Parks Canada is less than \$750 million.

It makes more sense to place them in the Department of Public Works (DPW), which is responsible for government infrastructure and has a large capital and operational budget. Since both canals are transportation corridors, one could also argue that it could be placed in Transport Canada, where a focus on safety is high. Although this department does not seem like a great fit it too has a significant capital budget.

The biggest issue facing the TSW is that the dams are crumbling and in need of repair. Some of them could not withstand a prolonged and intense rainfall and a number of villages and homes are in peril if a dam bursts. Transport Canada has a budget of over \$2 billion and DPW has even more money. For example, DPW has a line item of almost \$1.2 billion for repair and maintenance and over \$2 billion for operating expenditures. Finding a few million dollars for emergency repairs to dams and locks should not be much of an exercise.

Barry knows all of this. So why has he decided not to champion an idea that could provide the money needed to improve matters rather than one that has little chance of being accepted and would provide no new funding? Barry's approach is like a firefighter arriving at the scene of a house fire and asking the homeowner if he has any fire insurance. The question would have been a good one if asked a few months earlier. But now it is too late and it does nothing to address the real problem of a putting out the fire.

Let's hope that Barry picks up the fire hose, tries to move the TSW and RC into Public Works and gets the money needed to repair those dams. Then he can approach the governance issue.

Dennis Choptiany
Koshlong Lake

A Walmart in Ingoldsby

Dear editor,

I was very surprised at the high volume of traffic in Ingoldsby as stated by Mr. Robert Barnett in the Sept. 27 issue.

Over seven years he has witnessed thousands upon tens of thousands of cars passing by his property. In the summer, there

are up to 1,100 cars a day. Wow.

What a boring, time-consuming job, counting all those cars.

With this high volume of traffic, what an ideal location for a Walmart.

Bryce Blair
Haliburton

The Outsider — The tough side of tradition

By Will Jones

When we open the boxes the dogs come out like streaks of lightning; only stopped from racing into the bush by strong words and stronger hands. Leashed, they bay and pull, yanking me this way and that, their power daunting and utterly exciting at the same time.

The dogs are plott hounds. I'm on a bear hunt.

While some of you may not agree with this type of sport I make no apology for accompanying these hunters in their quest for a bear. I would however ask that you consider that this is why I came to Canada: to experience a different lifestyle, to embrace absolutely all that this culture, so alien to my life in England, has to offer.

And this is perhaps as hard core as it gets when immersing oneself in rural Canadian tradition.

A call goes up from the start dog, she's found a scent. Her companions, who've dragged me excitedly to the start point, take up her baying cry. They strain and pull as one by one they are unleashed. Like bullets the dogs race into the heavy bush, following her lead, following the trail of a bear.

We, the hunters and me, listen for a moment to the pack as they bound away then hustle back to the trucks to pick up their signal on the GPS trackers: a quick assessment and then quicker drive to a point on a local road that the dogs are heading for. We arrive just as the bear crosses. He's in full flight and a good way ahead of the dogs. His direction looks ominous: "into God's country," states my hunting companion

as if I should know what that means. I'm to find out the hard way soon enough.

The dogs come to the road and cross like a shot, intent on their task. A short drive later we're at road's end and unloading the ATV. Now for the first of my many lessons of the day: when the guy driving the ATV ducks so do you. THWACK! The spruce branch smacks me in the face. My companion laughs and guns the bike but the trail ends soon after and the dogs are still heading away from us. Now the hard work begins.

The only option is to follow on foot and we strike off into the bush. Soon there is no sign of human intrusion. While bear and dogs show little regard for ridges, valleys, marshes and bogs, the going is heavy. The GPS keeps us in touch with the dogs but it doesn't help in keeping up with them. Through tag alders and cedar thickets we plunge. Slowly, so slowly: the thick web of branches making progress laborious. It's cold but I break into a sweat.

We hear the dogs and the GPS indicates they've stopped: they've treed a bear, it says. My heart races as we struggle through over a ridge, the dogs' voices getting louder. But there's a pond in our way. A detour of half a mile around means we lose time and as we finally near the dogs, the bear, which is actually holed up in a cave, makes a dash for it and escapes.

We're three hours into the hunt and little do I know but it'll be another eight before we rest. Over those next hours

we tramp mile after mile through the glorious Haliburton countryside. We have two more near misses with the bear – a feisty fellow who stands his ground and takes the fight to the dogs instead of hiding up a tree, his williness keeping him always one step ahead.

It's evening when we leash the final two dogs. They were still on the bear's trail but come wearily to our own tired calls. Eight of our canine companions have scars to prove their valour. Hunters complain of aching limbs. As I take a welcome drink I'm told with a chuckle that I have a black eye.

Some would say we failed and if the sole reason for going out was to kill a bear then we did. But no one looks disappointed. Their tales of valiant efforts and unbelievable escapes mixed with guffaws about trips and stumbles, getting hung up in thick bush and Englishmen with black eyes.

I'm shattered and battered but I'm more in awe. Impressed at the dedication of the hunters; amazed at the speed and endurance of the dogs; astonished by the fortitude and longevity of the bear. But most of all I'm beginning to truly respect this highly contentious but age-old hunting tradition.

So weary are they that we lift some dogs into their boxes. I know how they feel but I'll be back and they'll be baying once again because today was a great day.



By Will Jones

Highlander opinions

Eye on the street: Do you have any special plans for Thanksgiving?



Bruce Shepherd

Gelert

Nothing better than being with family. Turkey dinner with all the family and lots of grandchildren!

Carson McIntosh

Aurora

Just to be with friends and family. Turkey dinner with all the fixings, stuffing, cranberries, pumpkin pie, apple pie and ice cream.



Janelle and Leighton Nesbit

Minden

I am working Friday to Monday, hopefully getting together for a late lunch on Sunday with family.

Lisa Post

Brady Lake

I do not actually have any special plans. I am working on Saturday and have not had time to think about the rest of the days.



Peter Oyler

Minden

No special plans, just spending it with friends and family. But really, spending time with family and friends is very special.



THE PHONEBOOK PROJECT: CAMERON

By Mark Arike

From making an average of \$40 per assignment as a wedding photographer to owning a pub in Toronto and other businesses, Ben Cameron has done a little bit of everything. "It's been a good life," said Cameron, an 85-year-old seasonal resident who splits his time between the Highlands and Toronto.

Cameron has been coming to the Highlands for over 60 years. His wife, Lillias, also 85, introduced him to the area when he was only 17. She had been cottaging on Canning Lake since the age of seven.

"I had never been up to this part of the world, although I had been camping elsewhere," he said. "I fell in love with the place, right at that spot."

The couple first met while employed at their summer jobs at The Toronto Daily Star (now The Toronto Star).

"I worked in the editorial [department] as a runner, running copy here and there, wherever. Occasionally I would go out with the photographers. My wife worked in the part of the business where they sell features and mail it out to people."

Soon after they married in Toronto in 1950, Cameron realized that he'd need to make some extra money.

"In those days, parents didn't provide anything; they couldn't. I needed some extra money, so eventually I saved up enough money and bought myself a Speed Graphic [camera], which is what all the press and photographers used at The Toronto Star."

Cameron used his new camera when The Star hired him on as a stringer, but it wasn't the kind of opportunity he had hoped for.

"I was getting lousy jobs... and you'd get paid for the pictures they used. I wasn't really making very much money out of

that."

Soon after the end of the Second World War, he found his niche in wedding photography.

"This was after the war and people were coming back and getting married," he explained.

Business was booming but that meant a heavy workload.

"That was a hell of a lot of work," he said. "Proofs had to go out to the people and then they wanted to show them to everyone. I decided that I would freelance for other companies."

He began working for Ashley and Crippen, a well-known Toronto-based photography company.

"I got pretty good at it because I was energetic. I wore a blazer and always had the car washed."

In addition to taking wedding photos, Cameron was able to do publicity shoots for theatre productions.

"They kept me so busy that I wanted to hide," he laughed. "I didn't want to see another wedding."

While not on a photography assignment, Cameron worked as a salesman for a food broker. His wife worked for the Bell Telephone Company as a business office supervisor.

Cameron eventually ended up in the buying and selling of small businesses.

"I figured that I had a nose for that kind of thing."

After he sold one of his many businesses – a food equipment company – Cameron decided to purchase a pub in downtown Toronto.

"I had nothing to do and I was too young to retire. So I bought a pub because that was a cash business and there was no running across the country. I was tired of travelling."

His wife was shocked after finding out what her husband had acquired.



Photo by Mark Arike

Ben Cameron takes a break from trading stocks.

"She asked, 'Why did you do that?' I said, 'For fun.'"

Although the pub was a profitable venture, Cameron remembers it as "the toughest job in the world." So when the time came to sell The Rose and Crown he felt a great sense of relief.

"It was Sept. 1, 1990. On that day I went out and bought my wife a new car, I retired..." he said, while trying to remember another significant event on the day of the sale.

"The day I sold it I never put my foot back in the door."

A quick Google search reveals that the pub, which is located at 2335 Yonge Street, is still up and running.

As time went on and Cameron realized he had a few too many businesses on the go, he became a business broker.

"How do you do that? Well, you go downtown and you rent an office."

When Cameron retired over 20 years ago, he filled his time with tennis and other sports activities.

"I had boundless energy," he said, adding that he played hockey until his mid-30s.

A couple of years ago Cameron had to stop playing tennis altogether due to his physical condition. With a desire to keep busy, he took up a new pastime: trading stocks.

"I've got a nose for this sort of thing," he said. "I'm good with numbers."

Today Cameron can be found trading stocks on his computer in his basement. He starts monitoring the futures market at 6:30 in the morning. He admits it's become a daily ritual and to him, it's "just business."

"I buy a stock and sell it within an hour, two hours, two weeks. It depends on what the market does. You have to bend with it because you can't control anything."

Just like taking on a new business, Cameron has immersed himself in accumulating knowledge and information. A stack of stock market reading material sits neatly tucked away in his living room.

"You pick up on it, too," he said. "It's like swimming: if you can't swim you drown. So you learn how to swim."

Cameron and his wife have one daughter together, Lori.

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The Haliburton County Rail Trail looking south from Gould's Crossing Road

Rail trail friends unveil Greenway Plan

By Lisa Harrison

Friends of the Rail Trail (FoRT) presented an ambitious new five-year greenway plan for the Haliburton County Rail Trail to county council at its meeting on Sept. 26.

The snowmobile-greenway trail plan involves a four-step transition that will eliminate ATV use in three years and ready the trail for the county's July 1, 2017 grand opening of the Trans Canada Trail.

FoRT Chair Pamela Marsales told council the plan is the result of four years of work with an advisory panel from across North America.

"December through March, I don't think anyone in the county disagrees with the fact that snowmobiling will give us the maximum tourism value for this trail and because of its exclusive use in those months for the snowmobile club there is no conflict on the trail," said Marsales.

"The corollary in the other three seasons is to combine all compatible greenway activities to reach the maximum tourist value for the trail, again with no conflict."

FoRT shares the county's Haliburton County Rail Trail (HCRT) objectives, Marsales said, listing reduction/elimination of conflict over trail use, tourism maximization, serving community needs, preserving the trail's history and ecology, and developing the county's economy.

The trail would bring "worldwide fame" and prosperity based on examples of greenway trails that draw trail users from around the globe, she added.

In step one the county would assume ATV permit issuing control for three seasons, giving ATV users time to establish alternate routes and leave the trail by the fourth year.

In step two the county would partner with FoRT's greenway advisory panel (GAP) of global trail managers, engineers, economic developers and more to develop best practices.

In step three the county would market the trail using GAP's promotional awareness and connections with tour cyclists, field naturalists, hiking clubs, arts and heritage groups and more.

Finally, the county and GAP would add value to the HCRT to promote economic development, including pursuit of branding as a Rails-to-Trails Conservancy "destination trail."

In the process the HCRT would become a central feature in a new tourism route from the Greater Toronto Area to

Algonquin Park.

"Many...partners are already onside, and these are big players," said Marsales. "They're working on improvements on their projects; they will tie in with this. They're familiar with our trail and they're eager and anticipating moving ahead on this exciting project."

"I was a little bit concerned about the timing of this presentation based on where we're at but I think there's a lot of work [that's] been done and I really appreciate how you've tried to blend it all together," said Liz Danielsen, deputy reeve for Algonquin Highlands, referring to the county's Rail Trail Community Engagement Strategy (RTCES) completed in March.

Council received FoRT's presentation for information. Warden Murray Fearney acknowledged the work that went into the plan and said it will likely come up in budget discussions.

Marsales later expressed disappointment that the plan had not been referred directly to staff for further review as FoRT had requested.

She said FoRT will highlight the Greenway HCRT and a second project, Creating a Village Pathways Network, at a public reception on Oct. 23 at the Haliburton Museum. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for coffee and cake and presentations begin at 7 p.m. Pre-registration is requested to Marsales at 705-457-4767.

"I think that the community deserves to see for themselves what's in the Greenway Plan," said Marsales, adding the presentation for council was in point form. "People think they know what FoRT wants but they've never seen a plan fleshed out...This is a realistic, workable plan."

"I believe that the greenway plan has a tremendous amount of merit, personally," said Reeve Carol Moffatt, who chaired the working group to review the RTCES and bring recommendations to council. "I admire and respect the knowledge and tenacity she [Marsales] has around this issue."

However, Moffatt added, whether the county will now adjust the RTCES when it has already spent money on it "remains to be seen."

"She [Marsales] can be 100 per cent right, but if she can't convince the eight people around the [council] table, it's dead."



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MPP Laurie Scott pins the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medal on Hugh Nichol for his work in the community.

Nichol receives jubilee award

By Matthew Desrosiers

Due to his ongoing work with Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF) and other community projects, Hugh Nichol has been awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medal.

The award was presented by Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott on Sept. 28.

"We talk a lot about young people leaving their communities, Haliburton County is no exception, and Hugh and Stephanie [Kuno] decided to come back here and make Haliburton their home," Scott said during the presentation. "Since they've been in the community, since day one, they've been dedicated community members."

Scott said Nichol has been involved in many aspect, usually in a leadership or key organizing role. These include local sports initiatives, Camp Wanakita, Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, the Haliburton Rotary Club, and especially HHHSF.

"Since its inception in 1993, Hugh has been a board

member, helping with financing and helping to raise a \$20 million capital campaign," she said.

Scott said he was integral in the redevelopment of Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) into the organization we have today.

"We are fortunate to have those services available to all of us," she said. "I'm just thrilled to present the medal to Hugh."

Nichol accepted the medal along with his wife, Kuno.

"I'm very pleased to have received this recognition, and I want to thank my wife, but you know, sometimes individual awards are a little tough to take," he said. "I often think how much we accomplish when we work together."

Nichol said the demand for health care is not going to diminish in the future.

"Governments are under a lot of pressure, not only here in Canada but around the world," he said. "So as much as I appreciate this, I'd like to thank everyone who has helped make this a better community, and let's continue to work together."

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Dysart et al Reeve Murray Feary (left), Ray Miscio, parks and recreation manager and Larry Holden, chair of the 2011 Winterfest Legacy Fund committee enjoy the new swings in Head Lake Park.

Park gets swingin' hardware

By Matthew Desrosiers

Looking for a great place to swing? Well, look no further than Head Lake Park.

Thanks to a \$5,000 grant from Ontario Hydro, the park has been refitted with all new blue swing sets.

Ray Miscio, manager of parks and recreation with the municipality of Dysart et al, said the grant helped with equipment and some of the installation costs for the \$25,000

project.

Also new to the park are two benches courtesy of the 2011 Winterfest Legacy Fund.

Larry Holden, chair of the 2011 Winterfest Legacy Fund committee, said 10 benches were distributed among the municipalities. Two of those landed in Head Lake Park.

The project to upgrade the park was completed last week and unveiled by Murray Feary, Miscio and Holden on Sept. 28.

Residents scrutinize rink plans

By Will Jones

Renovation work at the Dysart Arena is on track and it should be open again by mid January.

That was the good news from a meeting held to discuss progress and plans for modifications to the facilities, held on Oct. 1.

What concerned attendees at the meeting was not the opening date, however, but elements of the preliminary drawings, prepared by architect Duncan Ross.

Plans to site the bleachers along one side of the rink rather than all around and move the players' benches and penalty box to the other side mean that the benches may be over the blue line, in the attacking zone. Members of the Highland Storm Minor Hockey Association executive (volunteers who run children's hockey in the area) expressed concern at this because of the potential for players to be off side when they step onto the ice.

"There is too great a chance of immediate off sides," said gate/timekeepers rep Rob Hill. "It happens in other arenas and neither the kids, nor coaches, like it because it disrupts the games."

Additionally, storage space for hockey and other sports would be very minimal within the new arena, a product of the architect having to work to modern building codes while being confined to the an existing structure.

"At Minden there's really good storage space but the Dysart arena is our central base and these plans don't give us anywhere near enough space to store all of the equipment for minor league hockey, and then you've got the other sports, too," said Jason Morissette, equipment manager.

Finally, although more dressing rooms are planned, the layout of the upgraded home dressing room – in an 'L' shape – was met with some criticism.

"The coaches need to be able to see all of the players at all times," said ex-coach Gary Brohman. "Especially if coaching young children, you need to have eye contact and the kids need to be together. It makes for much better communication and camaraderie."

"These are preliminary designs and there is still time to make changes," Ross said. "However, we must work quickly in addressing these concerns if we are not to delay the planned January opening."

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Highlander arts

25th annual Haliburton Studio Tour off

Artists welcome visitors on Thanksgiving weekend

By Mark Arke

With another weekend to go, it's still hard to tell just how successful the 25th annual Haliburton County Studio Tour will be.

"Overall, I don't know if I could say that it's better than last year's because I haven't talked to everybody," said Thom Lambert, chair of the tour. "It always kind of moves around."

Lambert explained that when some artists report a record year, others experience a drop in visitors.

"The few people I've talked to didn't make the comparison that it was better than last year," he said. "But it's definitely a good year. The Saturday was very busy for folks. The Sunday was a bit slower, but that's fairly typical."

Of the seven or eight artists he spoke to, all said that the longest period of time they went without someone in their studio on Saturday was five or 10 minutes.

"That was certainly my experience," said Lambert, who is also a featured artist on the tour. "It was steady the whole day."

The tour started last weekend and featured the work of over local 30 artists and artisans. Mixed media, textile art, glassblowing, pottery and other mediums were up on display and available for purchase at the many studios spread throughout the county. Artists also provided demonstrations and talked to visitors about their work.

Before the start of the tour, Lambert said there were concerns that road construction in downtown Haliburton and Minden would slow down visitor movement.

"Everyone talks to their customers a lot, and not one of my customers mentioned it as being a hindrance to getting around on the tour."

Although studios are located in various parts of the county, someone asked Lambert why there weren't many artists from the Minden Hills area on this year's tour.

"I told them that geography has never been a consideration for us when we're looking for new members. Our main criteria is that somebody has a working studio in the county."

As for the final weekend of the tour, Lambert is eagerly anticipating its arrival.

"We really look forward to the second weekend because we tend to get long-term cottagers or residents," he said. "A lot of those folks are coming up to close their cottage for the year or to celebrate. We always look forward to seeing those people because they have a real attachment to the Highlands."

Participating studios will be open between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. this weekend. For additional information visit www.haliburtonstudiotour.on.ca.



Photos by Mark Arke

Top: Glassblower Terry Craig puts on a demonstration at the studio he shares with his wife, Jennifer Wanless-Craig, in Tory Hill. Above: Dar Bolahood shows off one of her colourful handwoven mohair throws. Bolahood and her partner Charly Sylge were guests artists at Kevin Dunlop's studio.

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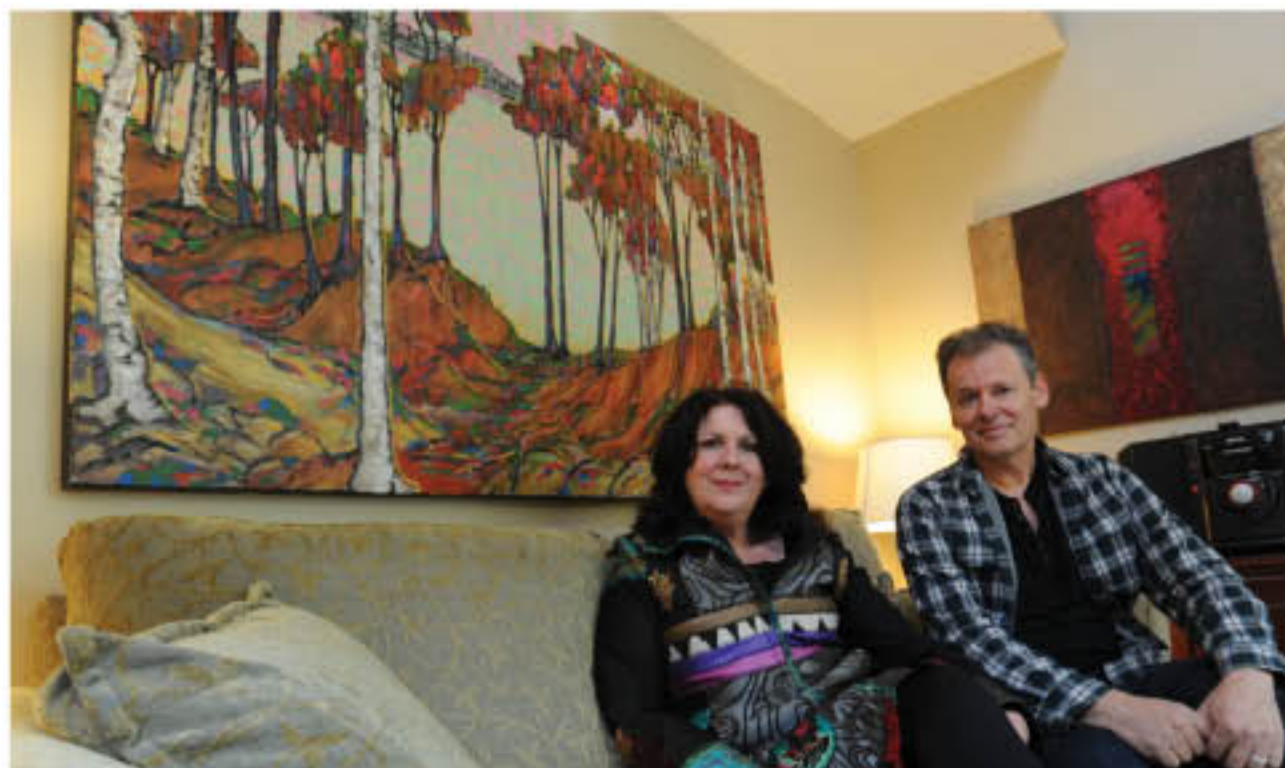
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Top: Annette Blady and Al Van Mil welcome visitors to their home during the opening weekend of the Haliburton County Studio Tour. Above: Cottager Fotini Mainville, left, shows her daughter Zoe a mixed media piece by Annette Blady.

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Haliburton County's Hot Roads

The following are the top five fiction and non-fiction titles as requested this week at the Haliburton County Public Library.

HCPL's TOP FIVE FICTION

1. *Fifty Shades of Grey* by E.L. James
2. *Trust Your Eyes* by Linwood Barclay
3. *The Bride of New France* by Suzanne Desrochers
4. *Stray Bullets* by Robert Rotenberg
5. *The Beautiful Mystery* by Louise Penny

HCPL's TOP FIVE NON-FICTION

1. *Wheat Belly: Lose the Wheat, Lose the Weight, and Find Your Path Back to Health* by William Davis
2. *Wild: From Lost to Found on the Pacific Crest Trail* by Cheryl Strayed
3. *Quiet: The Power of Introverts in a World That Won't Stop Talking* by Susan Cain
4. *Thinking Fast and Slow* by Daniel Kahneman
5. *The Wealthy Barber Returns* by David Chilton

Besides the popular (still!) *Fifty Shades of Grey*, our top five fiction list has been taken over by Canadian authors. Fall is the time of year when Canadian publishers tend to release what they perceive to be their "best bets." It is also the start of literary award season, beginning with the announcement of the Rogers Writers Trust shortlist in September and the Giller Prize shortlist on Oct. 1.

The Ontario Library Association's Evergreen Award is the only one of these Canadian literary awards that is "readers' choice." Throughout the month of October, you have your chance to vote on your favourite title from the Evergreen 2012 shortlist. Polling stations will be set up across Haliburton County Public Library's eight branches and on Nov. 4, at the Friends of the Library's Annual Gala, the winner for Haliburton County will be announced.

The official Evergreen winner will be announced by the Ontario Library Association thereafter. The Giller Prize winner will be announced on Oct. 30 and the Writers Trust winner will be announced on Nov. 7. Mark your calendars for some great Canadian reading inspiration!

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Students dive in to festival



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Left: JD Hodgson Grade 6 student Nicole Cox rolls down a hill as a raindrop, collecting pollution as she goes. Right: OPP Aux. Const. Joel Parker teaches Grade 4 student Skyler Dawe about marine safety during this year's Water Festival.

By Matthew Desrosiers

Have you ever wondered how pollution in the air affects a raindrop on its journey to earth?

Students from the Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB) learned about this and many other water-related issues at the 8th annual Haliburton-Muskoka-Kawartha (HMK) Water Festival on Oct. 1 and 2 at the Kinark Outdoor Centre in Minden Hills.

Irene Heaven, festival coordinator, said 958 students between Grades 3 and 6 participated in the festival between the two days.

"Water education is fun," Heaven said. "We want them to learn and keep it going year long."

The festival provides an opportunity for teachers to get their students out of the classroom and help them make ecological connections that aren't always available back at the school, she said.

Students participated in 42 activities throughout the day. The activities ranged from rolling down a hill collecting 'pollution' to building dams to block water flow.

According to the festival's website, the activities are designed to educate students on the importance of water quality, how the water cycle works, and what each person can do to maintain and/or improve water quality so future generations will have the water resources required to maintain human and animal populations.

It is also important to educate students that what happens in the Muskoka and Haliburton watersheds will impact communities, habitats and wildlife populations anywhere downstream, according to the site.

Kalin Weatherhead, Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) crew leader at the Haliburton fire base, was on site with his crew volunteering at a fire station where students were asked to shoot water cannons at targets.

Weatherhead said they teach the students about fire safety

and water usage. One of the big messages, he said, was how to properly extinguish camp fires.

The Ontario Provincial Police were also on hand to impress upon students the importance of marine and boating safety, said Auxiliary Const. Joel Parker.

Tony Armstrong, TLDSB trustee and board representative on the water festival committee, said the festival is important because it allows students to learn hands on, outside of a classroom.

"We want to see kids outdoors and learning in all aspects, and water is a big part [of that]," he said. "If we don't take advantage of our surroundings, we're doing a disservice to our kids."

"[We want to] get the kids dirty learning. Get them out of their seats."

Heaven said the festival activities are linked to the curriculum so teachers can use the material in their classrooms.

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Highlander health



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Jeff Gollob, HHHS director, creates an art piece to send to seniors at Hyland Crest and Hyland Wood.

Seniors use art to improve mental health

By Matthew Desrosiers

Everybody knows art is a good form of self-expression, but could it also be a treatment to improve mental health?

Fay Wilkenson, a registered expressive artist, thinks the answer is yes.

Wilkenson presented a video entitled *Visible Voices: Through the Looking Glass*, to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) board of directors on Sept. 27.

"The video explores depression with seniors through art making," Wilkenson said. "We wanted to put faces, stories and artwork to what we call depression."

The project was made possible through the Bell Let's Talk Community Fund, part of the Bell Mental Health Initiative.

"We've been responding to a rather alarming statistic which says 50 per cent of seniors living in long-term care homes across Canada are on anti-depressants," she said.

According to Wilkenson, there is now medical evidence

that links depression and stress to the onset of Alzheimer's disease.

"Clearly this is a huge challenge that our community is facing along with many other communities in the country."

The intent of the program was to give seniors the opportunity for authentic self-expression to raise awareness of how depression affects them in the community and to start reducing the stigma associated with depression, she said. The video will be presented to local audiences in schools and community groups.

The first part of the project, entitled 'Depression, Connection, Expression', called for referrals of seniors who would be interested in the program. Wilkenson worked one-on-one with residents in Hyland Wood and Hyland Crest to create various forms of art through different mediums. The interactions were captured on video and used to make the film.

"It was not my intention to fix anything or interpret or

judge in any way," she said. "It was an opportunity for those seniors to release their emotions in a safe and supportive environment."

The second part of the program, entitled 'Reflection, Dialogue, Insight', calls on audience members viewing the video to respond through art of their own. Those pieces will be shown to seniors who participated in the video, completing the communication loop.

Wilkenson said the idea to use expressive art is not new or unique to this program. Doctors in the United Kingdom prescribe art to their patients, who are able to take their prescription to an open studio. They have full use of the facility until they no longer have need of it.

"We're thinking this [program] will contribute to the growing body of evidence that supports expressive art making in this way for improved mental health," Wilkenson said.

"We also want to use art making as a bridge around meaningful conversations around depression."

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County sets new EMS response times

By Lisa Harrison

County council approved "conservative" new emergency response time standards at its Sept. 26 meeting under new requirements of the provincial Ambulance Act.

"We've been asking...to set our own response times and this is a case of be careful what you ask for because we've been given it," said Pat Kennedy, emergency services director.

"The long and short of it is that I'm encouraging that we go with a conservative approach to the response times standard."

Kennedy reported the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care originally established response times from dispatch to arrival on the scene based on 1996 achievements for urgent and life-threatening calls. The county was expected to respond to a call within 26:04 minutes, 90 per cent of the time.

The Ambulance Act now requires every upper tier municipality to develop its own performance plan, to be approved by its council, submitted to the Ministry by Oct. 31 and implemented in 2013.

New standards include the percentage of time an automated external defibrillator (AED) is used by anyone within six

minutes of a sudden cardiac arrest. The county now has 39 sites with AEDs, which apply electrical therapy to re-establish the heart's proper rhythm.

The department recommended a response standard for AED use of 33 per cent within six minutes based on response rates of 33 per cent, 15 per cent and 43 per cent from 2009 to 2011 respectively. Kennedy noted the times will vary widely depending upon whether an event occurs near an AED site or at Kennis Lake, for example.

Standards must also be set for the percentage of time paramedics will arrive within eight minutes of a dispatch for the highest patient acuity (severity) level, which includes sudden cardiac arrest, major trauma and severe respiratory distress.

The department recommended a response standard of 40 per cent within eight minutes based on response rates of 33 per cent, 38 per cent and 47 per cent from 2009 to 2011 respectively.

For the remaining four levels of acuity combined, Kennedy said most EMS services in eastern Ontario are using a 10 minute standard.

"I feel in our geographic area and the diverse population and low densities that...we can say comfortably to the



Photo by Lisa Harrison

A county ambulance at the Haliburton EMS station.

people of the county that we can be there two-thirds of the time within 15 minutes. That's a reasonable expectation here."

Kennedy said as the department moves to electronic patient call report systems it will be able to provide more accurate data.

"We intend on reporting to the [emergency services] committee on a monthly or bi-monthly basis as to

whether we're meeting our response time standards."

Kennedy also noted response times have improved greatly over the past three years due to several new initiatives so the department can more easily meet these standards, and that the standards can be adjusted at any time as may be necessary.

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CEO search coming to an end

By Matthew Desrosiers

The search may soon be over.

Since Paul Rosebush, former Haliburton Highlands Health Services (HHHS) president and CEO, announced he had accepted a new position in southern Ontario earlier this summer, the board of directors has been looking for a suitable replacement.

The hospital hired a recruitment firm who found 60 candidates. At the end of August, a longlist of 11 candidates was presented to the HHHS search committee, who have shortened it to five.

"The candidates have varied backgrounds but are all very solid," said Len Logozar, chairman of the board. "I'm hoping that after our interviews, an apparent success to Paul [Rosebush] will be evident quickly."

On Oct. 1 and 2, an expanded search committee met and interviewed the five candidates.

"We've got as many stakeholders involved in this process [as we can]," Logozar said.

"There aren't any guarantees, but we're hoping of these five candidates we come up with at least one or two which we can make an offer to."

Logozar said once the expanded committee makes its choice, an extensive reference check will be completed before an offer letter is submitted to the chosen candidate. The decision will not be referred back to the board of directors for final approval.

The intention is to have a person in place by Jan. 1, he said.

"All the people we're talking to are employed elsewhere, so there will be notice periods," Logozar said. "Hopefully we have some good news on this quickly."

Foster Loucks was named interim CEO and took over from Rosebush in September. He will hold the position until the replacement is ready to start.

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Highlander food

What goes with game?

By Will Jones

Fall is hunting season for many folks in Haliburton and that means some super tasty cuts of meat. But what veggies do you serve with a moose roast or haunch of venison? How can we spice up (sometimes literally) the accompaniments to these wonderful wild treats?

Well, we need look no further than the vegetables that are good and plentiful at this time of year, too. Think root veg but don't think, 'oh no, not soggy carrot again'. This month's Food For Thought will surprise and delight with some veggie side dishes that are easy to prepare and oh-so-tasty. And, best of all, the ingredients are all available at your local farmers market, be that Haliburton, Kilmount or Tory Hill.

PS: these veggies taste great without game, too!

Roasted beets

Fresh from the garden, topped, tailed and cleaned, beets can be roasted alongside the meat for a sweet tasty treat.

Cut the stalk and straggly root off the beet, and if large, halve or quarter it.

Pop it into the meat roasting dish around your game, or in one of its own. Roast for about forty minutes on the same

heat as the meat.

Honey (or maple syrup) roasted parsnips

Clean and slice parsnips to your desired size – not too thin though as they will tend to burn. Roast them as normal (30 minutes in a hot oven) and then drizzle them with honey or syrup when there's about ten minutes of cooking time left.

Creamed horseradish

Often considered a weed, the horseradish root is super flavourful.

Peel and finely grate about 100g of horseradish root. Mix it with one teaspoon of mustard, a pinch of sugar and 125ml of heavy cream. Add a pinch of salt and pepper and smear it liberally on a slice of roast moose.

Onion marmalade

Thinly slice one kilo of onions. Heat five tablespoons of olive oil in a pan and add the onions. Cover and cook on a low heat for about an hour, until the onions are greatly reduced and really tender.

Sprinkle on a teaspoon of sugar, raise the heat and cook, stirring regularly, until the onions are golden brown and the liquid has evaporated. Next add a tablespoon of balsamic

Food for thought

vinegar and simmer for a few minutes, tasting to get that sharp/sweet flavour.

Serve warm with the venison roast or cold with cheese. It will keep in a jar in the fridge.

Leeks with greens

Sweat four leeks in a little butter for six to eight minutes, until nice and tender. Meanwhile, lightly steam one shredded Savoy cabbage or one kilo of winter greens over boiling water for about two minutes. Drain well and toss together with a few knobs of butter. Season with salt and pepper to taste.

Spicy turnip fries

Peel and chop three turnips into chunky wedges. Put them in a bowl and add one tablespoon of brown sugar, three teaspoons of olive oil, one quarter teaspoon of salt, one half teaspoon of crushed red pepper flakes, a pinch of ground ginger and a pinch of allspice. Mix everything together and pop the coated turnips into a roasting dish.

Roast in a hot oven for 35-45 minutes, stirring/turning occasionally until the turnips are tender in the centre with a semi-crunchy skin.



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The Computer Guy

Vision of Paradise

Like most of you, I had that cold going around last week. I'd heard it described as being hit by a truck or like an elephant sitting on your chest. I like to think it's more like a truck driven by an elephant parked on my chest, loaded full of boulders. So, as I lay in bed in a Neo Citrine-induced coma, mentally willing God, Buddha, or Heather Locklear to take me now, I had a vision.

It was a vision of the world where computers worked seamlessly together. Where there was no more "Blue Screen of Death," "Page Cannot Be Displayed," or "Unable to Open File." Where printers, scanners, video cards, and motherboards, no matter what brand name or how old, worked with the newest operating system. A world where viruses, spyware or other malicious software no longer existed. Where high-speed internet was actually high speed and dial-up was a thing your grandfather brought up when he wanted to talk about what it was like when he was a child. Where ink cartridges didn't cost twice as much as the printer you bought them for. The software manufacturers actually put out a high-quality product that would work for years and was easily and inexpensively upgraded because they aren't worried about profit margins or built-in obsolescence.

Computer manufacturers would offer two to three year warranty's and actually back it up and replace faulty parts in a

timely manner. I looked at the world that my antihistamine-soaked mind had created and it was good. I romped through fields of data cables bathed in the light of LED monitors that are environmentally friendly and I was at peace...

Then the phone rang.

I awoke and answered the thing that had dragged me out of my paradise. I was informed by the person on the other end that their computer wouldn't boot up because they kept getting a blue screen that might be from them trying to install an alternate driver because Windows 7 didn't support their ten-year-old printer that they just paid \$120 for ink and the printer only cost \$60 and they weren't throwing it out. It could also be that the driver is corrupt because it took four hours to download on dial-up. It might also be that e-mail they opened from their mother's friend's gardener that was possibly infected. Or the fact that the computer was just over a year old and the warranty had just run out. They really needed me to come over and look at it right away.

As I hung up the phone all I could think of was... where's the Neo Citrine?

For questions or comments, e-mail me at computerguy@haliburtonhighlander.ca. Happy and safe computing.



By David Spaxman

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Highlander outdoors

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By Lisa Harrison

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But if you're an ATV rider, whether you own or rent a vehicle, you get to explore deep into some of the loveliest landscapes in the world.

Not only do Highlands residents have access to extensive trails within the county through the Haliburton ATV Association (HATVA), but also the trail system links into the Muskoka, Kawartha, Peterborough and Madawaska regions.

County trail coverage includes, but is not limited to, areas around Raven, Kawagama and Sherbourne lakes; Big Hawk Lake; Livingstone and Luck lakes; extensions off the Beaverdam Trail to Paul and Tingley lakes; Black River fire roads in the Muskoka district; Anson Mountain/Queen Elizabeth II Park; Minden Village to the Haliburton County Rail Trail; Gooderham Trail; and the IB&O Rail Trail, owned primarily by Highlands East municipality.

You can also take a guided or self-guided tour arranged by a tour operator. In this region tours include a fall colours ride through Algonquin Park, the Dorset Lookout Tower, camping and fly fishing. If you're without an ATV or certain equipment, you'll

be able to rent whatever you need from most tour operators.

If you design your own tour or join an association event ride, it's important to learn the rules of the road from the local association first. You'll need to know about required permits/passes, routes, route difficulty levels and restrictions, road links, etiquette on any mixed-use trails, gear requirements (e.g. vehicle winches for deep woods paths), potential safety issues and more.

Trails and trail infrastructure in the Highlands are maintained in part by HATVA along with the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association (HCSA). County ATV trails cover county, private and Crown lands as well as some snowmobile trails, and include some road usage links. The road links can only be used by licensed drivers, and not all snowmobile trails can be used as portions run through private property where land use permits have not been issued for ATV use.

Also, the county currently makes the Haliburton County Rail Trail bed available for ATV use from Haliburton Village to Kinmount. It's ranked as a beginner trail with a speed of 30 km/h. However, the trail is wardened and HATVA gives strict conditions on its website to assist riders in observing proper trail etiquette with other users.

On all county trails ATVs must be plated



and riders must carry an insurance slip.

Most associations will provide trail maps, an essential for touring. Look for features such as trail difficulty levels, legal road links (for licensed drivers only), insets from major centres and adjoining trails, and stops for gas, food and accommodations.

HATVA recommends cross-referencing routes from its map with topographical, Crown land and snowmobile maps to ensure private land owners' rights are respected.

The association also recommends ATVs never travel alone, particularly since Crown lands are so extensive, and suggests contacting the association to see if one or

more HATVA members will ride with you in the Haliburton area.

For more information on ATV travel within Haliburton County and beyond, including trail descriptions, maps, ride events and links to other clubs, visit the HATVA website at www.haliburtonatv.com, e-mail info@haliburtonatv.com or call (705) 286-2368.

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Cottage Vignette

I don't do stuffing

By Barbara Szita-Knight, Esson lake

Here we are again, another successful cottage season nearing a close. We reluctantly kick and scream that summer has ended. But we do rejoice in that final long weekend before snow flies!

Like the May holiday and Canada Day celebrations, Thanksgiving is a headliner for family time together. Another great holiday weekend where the crowds force our dining table into the adjacent room to seat guests. And the pressure mounts to create meals that surpass all those before.

A chorus of "Hey don't throw that out" was chanted towards me on one Thanksgiving weekend. As I approached the garbage bin, family members were quite upset at my careless discard of such a yummy failure.

Let's backtrack shall we...

Turkey is top billing for a Thanksgiving menu. But turkey is tricky at a cottage. It's big, heavy and messy at the best of times. But with lake water running through our water pipes it becomes an epic battle between cleanliness and 'tastiness'. Many women just don't like the challenges turkeys present. But we know that no Thanksgiving is complete without that bird front and centre on the table. That, and gravy – heaven forbid I should not make gravy.

You know, I'll always take one for the team. So gravy gets made often and to the delight of my family. But I do draw the line at stuffing! I don't like the taste, the

texture or the thought of sticking my arm up inside the turkey to fill it with bread and let it sop the fat, hoping that it is fully cooked after several hours heated in our oven! That's a mouthful, no pun intended. Where was I? Oh yeah, stuffing...

I did make stuffing one year. It was my mom's recipe. But once was enough.

Every holiday with a turkey there would be moaning and groaning until I discovered stuffing made on the stove in a pot... Brilliant. What a delight and, best of all, my family loved it. Who could ask for more? Foolproof! Or so I thought.

A few years back with a hungry crowd of fifteen awaiting the fabled meal, it was a pressure-cooker of space and chaos in our wee kitchen. I had all the food items ready to go, including gravy. The stuffing was the last piece of the culinary puzzle before we could sit down and partake in a feeding frenzy. Somehow, who knows how, I am sure the chaos was to blame, I incorrectly measured the ingredient that forms the basis of this sensational stove stuffing – water. I must have doubled the amount. The ensuing product was a runny slop. I kept apologizing. Knowing full well people loved this stuff, I proclaimed it unfit for consumption.

Cries of "hey, don't throw that out," echoed through the cottage.

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Highlander sports

Highland Storm midgets hammer Parry Sound 4-1

By Warren Riley

The Highland Storm Boys Midget game against Parry Sound on Sept. 30 was definitely of NHL calibre.

From the drop of the puck, the Storm never lost control. The team dominated the ice with their aggressive, hard checking and slapshots, ending in a 4-1 win.

Storm Coach John Ballantyne was pleased with his team's performance at the end of the first half with the score tied 1-1.

"We're on a two-game losing streak and we have a much better effort from the whole team tonight," he said. "[We're] passing the puck a lot better and harder and with better passing we're getting some bounces. We're forechecking harder and the game seems to be coming easier to us because of the effort we are putting into it."

The referees kept a short leash on the players by the number of game calls and penalties handed out.

"With the Midget hockey, they [the referees] are trying to cut down on the silliness and there is the 'headshot issue' which is big and trying to cut down on," Ballantyne commented. "It just so happens tonight we have a home hockey association referee in chief here grading the referees and that sometimes makes the referees call a few more penalties; but it isn't bad tonight."

Tanner Ballantyne set the team's pace after he scored the first goal, while Curtis Ballantyne scored the third goal. Another outstanding player was Storm goalie Jordan Hamilton, who allowed only one goal.

"We got the lead at the start and we kept it rolling," Ballantyne said.



Photo by Warren Riley

Storm Peewees off to solid start

With a tie and a win in their first two games, the Highland Storm Boys 'Peewee A' Hockey team is on a roll. Head Coach Barry Boice says his team is in the developmental stage. Due to an unexpected game cancellation, Boice used the time to his advantage by holding a full-dressed practice. "Things are looking good," said Boice. "Our goaltending should be strong this year. Our defence will be worked hard because we have only 10 players; our whole team is actually going to be worked hard."

"Other than that, we're just getting started and will see how things go."



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Highlander sports



Photo by Warren Riley

Red Hawks retrieve the ball from a ruck during their match against the Brock 'Bull Dogs'.

Girls Red Hawks rugby lose to Brock Bull Dogs 22-5

By Warren Riley

The weather held true and the pitch was dry on Oct. 2.

This seemed to be a good omen for the HHSS Red Hawks Girls Rugby team as they battled the Brock's Girls Bull Dogs on home turf. Although at a slight disadvantage, the Red Hawk's junior and senior players were up against the all senior Bull Dogs. Red Hawk's Coach Chris Simpson knew his team had their work cut out for them.

Right from the opening kick, play was clean and continued throughout the game. The Red Hawks began to show the range of attributes that made them a formidable opponent.

Up front, the Red Hawk forwards laid a great platform. The two forward packs scrummaged, rucked and contested every loose ball. Red Hawk inside Shelby Hunter (#11) and blind-winger Robyn Albert (#12) were constantly putting pressure on Brock's numbers 1 and 7. An outstanding play was made by flanker Jillian Harley who ran the ball on the outside of the pitch only to be felled by Brock. A great opportunity lost.

Both teams showed their proficiency with several good series of possession changes. Scrummage can go a long way to deciding the entire game. At times, play was dominated by the Bull Dogs which led two tries (five points each try) or 10-0 at the end of the first half.

During half-time, Coach Simpson gave his team an encouraging talk congratulating them on their ball handling and clean play. He gave additional advice on open field play, how to further protect the ball handler and taking more advantage of their opportunities.

Simpson's pep talk didn't fall on deaf ears. Red Hawks Jenna Reid, Tammy Everett and Caitlyn Griffin had impressive moments on

offense and defense.

Moments into the second half, Brock scored again making it three tries to none which added more fuel to the Red Hawk fire. They were now more determined than ever to get on the scoreboard. With a resolute defence behind her, Red Hawk scrum half Caitlyn Griffin gained ball control from a ruck, ran like a banshee and scored. The crowd went wild.

Near the end of the second half, Brock scored once more adding a convert (two points).

Even in defeat, the Red Hawks enjoyed a modicum of success given their inexperience on both attack and defense, with many players getting the feel of their first good tackle.

Simpson was proud and extremely pleased with his team.

"It was their first try of the season, hard fought and that was just a lot of encouragement for them," he said. "They played hard and we had a great referee, [J.T. Botham], that was willing to slow things down a little bit and give them a bit of a coach along the way."

"The deal is, we play and we play clean. If the play is dirty, I pull the plug. We play our style of rugby regardless of what anyone else does. Brock is also an exceptionally clean team as well and there are no issues," he said.

The Red Hawk place kicker is in training becoming more proficient according to Simpson.

"We are making progress and down the field was awesome," he commented. "They [Red Hawks] had some great advantages, no ridiculous penalties [which] was very impressive. Their disciplined plays are actually starting to come into play."

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The Township of Algonquin Highlands is in the process
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PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED

The County of Haliburton is undertaking a review of their current Sign By-law and is
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County Sign By-law No. 3228 regulates the placement, content and type of signs
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purposes of the review are to: a) provide clarity, b) assess current restrictions, and c)
deal with specific concerns such as "A"-frame signs, real estate directional signage
and billboard signs on low volume roads.

A copy of the current by-law may be viewed on the County website at:
www.haliburtoncounty.ca/documents/3228SignBylaw.pdf.

Comments will be received on the current by-law until December 21, 2012. After
comments are reviewed, a draft by-law will be prepared and posted for public
comment on January 10, 2013. Comments on the draft by-law will be accepted until
February 8, 2013.

Please direct comments or requests to be on a distribution list to:
Angie Homer, Administrative Assistant, Road Department
PO Box 399, Minden, ON K0M 2K0
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*Garth and I would like to express our appreciation
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- Helen Windsor -

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PRESS RELEASE

Highlands East Trillium Fund Celebration

On Saturday October 6th, at the Annual Traditional Turkey Supper in the Lloyd
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its Community Partners will celebrate the renovation of the Centre's kitchen, made
possible by an Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant. Trillium will be represented by the
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October 2012 - Week of the 4th - 10th

T	F	S	S	M	T	W	EVENT	LOCATION	TIME	CONTACT	DETAILS
							Haliburton County Farmer's Market	Worrey beach park	9 p.m.	457-0991	Fridays until Oct. 5
							Canoes/M Bingo	800.9 Canoe/M	8 p.m.	457-2009	Listen to Canoe/M
							Cabbage	Comon. Care Haliburton	8 p.m.	457-2941	Join us every Friday
							Contract Bridge	Comon. Care Haliburton	8 p.m.	457-2941	Join us every Monday
							WE	Comon. Care Haliburton	9:30 a.m.	457-2941	Join us every Tuesday
							Chair Yoga	Dysart Library	2 p.m.	457-3121	No experience required
							NSQ Beef Dinner	St. George's Anglican Ch.	5:30-6:30 p.m.	457-2074	\$15/adult, \$5/kids under 12
							Community Drum Circle	Rails End Gallery	6:30 p.m.	457-2330	By donation. All welcome.
							Haliburton Highlands Radiothon	512 Highland St.	6-8 p.m.		Listen to Canoe/M and Minoset/M
							Studio Tour Luncheon	Maple Lake United Ch.	11-2 p.m.	286-2430	Hwy 418 and Airport Rd.
							Meet the mums	Ontario Early Yrs Centre	10-11:00 a.m.	457-1394	Various mums services for babies
							25th Annual Haliburton Studio Tour	Various locations			halburtonstudiotour.on.ca
							Harvest Fest	Twelve Mile Lake Church	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.		Bake and art sale
							Trains and Bones	Call for details	Call for details	876-0126	Information sessions
LEGION ACTIVITIES											
							Lunch Menu	Minden Branch 636	Noon to 2 p.m.	286-4541	Every Monday - Friday
							Euchre	Minden Branch 636	8 p.m.	286-4541	Every Tuesday
							Meat Draw	Minden Branch 636	Lunchtime	286-4541	Every Wednesday
							Euchre	Minden Branch 636	7:30 p.m.	286-4541	Every Thursday
							Radio Club	Minden Branch 636	10 a.m.	286-4541	Every Friday
							NFL Football on the big screen	Minden Branch 636	12 p.m.	457-2571	Food available, every Sunday
							Mid Euchre	Haliburton Branch 129	8 p.m.	457-2571	Every Wednesday
							Bingo	Haliburton Branch 129	7 p.m.	457-2571	Every Wednesday
							Pool	Wilberforce Branch 624	1:30 p.m.	448-2221	
							Ham and Scalloped Dinner	Wilberforce Branch 624	5-7 p.m.	448-2221	
							Mid Euchre	Wilberforce Branch 624	7 p.m.	448-2221	Every Monday
							Darts	Wilberforce Branch 624	7:30 p.m.	448-2221	Every Wednesday
							Pool	Wilberforce Branch 624	1:30 p.m.	448-2221	Every Friday
							Jam Session	Wilberforce Branch 624	7 p.m.	448-2221	Every Friday, everyone welcome!
							Meat Draw	Wilberforce Branch 624	2 p.m.	448-2221	Every Saturday
							Turkey Shoot	6776 Loop Rd.	10 a.m. - 2 p.m.	448-2221	Ladies welcome! \$5 per shot
							Paul Adams Cribbage Tournament	Wilberforce Branch 624	11:30 a.m.	448-2221	\$10/person (5 person teams)

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ACROSS

- Week portions
- Thoughts
- Treat pleats
- Pub license
- Newsman ____ Shriver
- Fictional clownfish
- Stood up
- Moral
- Common article
- Belief
- Showers
- Talked back
- Rower's needs
- Made happy
- "All ____ Jazz"
- Film reel
- Horrid
- Tax agency (abbr.)
- Bawled
- Tears apart
- Barbershop sound
- Nile snake
- Impulse
- Legendary stories
- Cattle calls
- Coastless
- Tree juices
- Shoelace hole
- Strong string
- Fathers
- Lincoln's nickname
- Type of paint
- Not ashore
- The ____ of March
- Moved upward
- Duration
- Cozy abode
- Discourage
- Humanities

DOWN

- Pub missiles
- Honolulu greeting
- Positive answers
- Wind direction (abbr.)
- Hinder
- Mend socks
- Buffalo's canal
- Isn't, slangily
- Defunct USAF branch
- To some extent (2 wds.)
- Enjoying
- Portent
- Indicates assent
- Retirement acct.
- Narrate
- Speck
- Lyric poems
- Ward off
- Scorch
- Church leader
- Opera tune
- Recipe measures (abbr.)
- Used the pool
- Mexican coin
- Near and far, e.g.
- Regrets
- Discount event
- Declares
- Least daffy
- Closer
- Miles ____ hour
- Intense beam
- ____ & Roeper
- Sport groups
- Look-alike
- Walk through water
- Skin opening
- Plenty (2 wds.)
- Stance
- Heel
- One ____ time (2 wds.)

Last week's puzzle solution

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Highlander events

Bingo gaining traction

By Matthew Desrosiers

Bingo!

If you've listened to Canoe FM on Tuesdays, you have no doubt heard the sound of Highlanders winning cold hard cash playing a riveting game of Bingo over the radio.

Since its launch in July, Canoe FM has awarded \$10,400 in cash prizes to Bingo winners. The station plays three games every Tuesday. Starting at 6 p.m. the first game is one line or four corners, followed by a two-line game, and finally a full card.

Despite the opportunity to win \$800 every week, Highlanders have been slow in getting on board the Bingo train. Originally launched as a fundraiser for the station and its community partners, participation in the Bingo game has only been enough for Canoe FM to break even every month. However, numbers are improving every week, said Ron Murphy, studio engineer.

Roxanne Casey, station manager, said other community radio stations have Bingo games and they all say it took a while for participation to pick up.

"There are five community radio stations doing Bingo and it really takes a while for it to catch on," she said. "I think word of mouth will work wonders."

Casey said for these stations, the Bingo makes up 48 per cent of their revenue.

"I am hoping that we will soon turn a profit and be able to share that with our community partners."

Canoe FM's current community partners are the Haliburton and Minden food banks.

Casey confirmed the station plans on renewing its license after the current one expires at the end of December, meaning the Bingo games will continue into the new year.

Recently, Canoe FM expanded its Bingo card distribution area. Cards are available at the following location for six dollars each.

Haliburton Jug City
Haliburton Foodland
Mamma G's Tea Room
Todd's Independent
Minden Jug City
Dollo's Foodland
Easton's Valu-Mart
West Guilford Shopping
Eagle Lake Market
Agnew's General Store
Molly's Bistro
Canoe FM radio station
Lucky Dollar

For more information on Canoe FM's radio bingo, call 705-457-1009 or visit their website at www.CanoeFM.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Content Auction

Saturday, October 13, 2012 – 10 a.m.

Partial Contents of the home of Larry & Sandra Huber who have sold their home and are moving. Sale to be held on site at 1588 Glamour Lake Rd, Gooderham. From Bancroft take Hwy 28S to Hwy 118. Follow approx 22 kms to Tory Hill. Stay left onto County Rd 503 and follow approx 8.5 kms to Glamour Lake Rd. Turn right and follow approx 2.5 kms to #1588. (Watch for Signs) From Haliburton take Hwy 118 S to County Rd 503 in Tory Hill. Stay right and follow approx 8.5 kms to Glamour Lake Rd. Turn right and follow approx 2.5 kms to #1588. (Watch for Signs).

Partial listing will include a 2005 250cc Quad 4 wheeler (sold subject to owners approval), 28" 10hp snowblower, 2 corner shelves (5 shelves), 5 pc living room set, buffet, queen size bed (mirrored, 2 lights), dressers, flat top trunks, blanket box, sewing machine, 5 pc kitchen set, Hoosier cupboard, round table, corner wash stand, pine wash stand, pitcher and basin set, hall table, framed and matted pictures, doll buggies, doll cradles, doll highchair, rocker, vintage highchair, blankets, wicker baskets, folk art stand with tilt ironing board, etc.

COLLECTIONS: As Larry & Sandra were both collectors, this sale also includes a LARGE collection of porcelain dolls (includes some Ashton Drake), native pcs including soapstones, pictures, dream catchers & plates, costume jewellery, some complete sets of framed collector plates, part sets of framed collector plates, ceramic and wooden ducks, old decoys, wood carvings, steins, Jim Bean collection, collection of vintage hand tools, plus much much more. This sale is ideal for those wanting to start a collection of their own or add to their collection that they've already started. Check out the gallery on our website at www.owhitesauctions.com

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Highlander events



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Top left: Amelia Edmunds and Albert Saxby perform original material on the band shell stage in Head Lake Park. Top right: Volunteer Cecilia Scott proudly holds up some corn on the cob. Left: William Morris-Burk, left, and his sister Synthia Morris-Burk grab a hold of the giant pumpkin at Haliburton's cenotaph during Colourfest. The Burks and other visitors guessed at the weight of the pumpkin in the hopes of winning gift certificates. Above: A visitor admires vehicles in the vintage car show.

Annual fall festival gives boost to village businesses

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"Saturday was phenomenal for us. We filled up about two or three times for lunch."

Green could tell that many of the visitors came from Colourfest, as they were wearing one of the free pins handed out by volunteers.

"Just about everyone was from Colourfest," she said, adding that a couple of visitors came from the Haliburton County Studio Tour.

Brad Park, franchise owner of Haliburton Foodland, said that despite a drop in sales from this time last year, he heard good things about the event.

"I'd say it was a strong day," said Park, who wasn't at the store on Saturday. "From what I heard there were a lot of people in town."

Foodland's parking was one of the venues used for live

entertainment.

"It might have hurt me because I gave up some parking spots," he said. "But I thought if people are coming to the stage they're coming to the store anyways."

Luke Schell, chair of the BIA, was extremely pleased with how the event went.

"We think that Gail [Stelter] did an absolutely incredible job," said Schell. "She worked very, very hard and put together a great event. We are very pleased."

On Monday, Schell said he had sent out e-mails to local business owners to obtain their feedback.

"I don't have any answers yet," he said.

Schell doesn't believe that construction on Highland Street took anything away from Colourfest. In fact, he thinks it was a blessing in disguise.

"The street seemed roomier, it slowed traffic down and it had a kind of nostalgic feel to it," he laughed. "I don't think it

hurt it too much."

Schell added that work crews from Fowler's Construction were "extremely cooperative."

"They helped us out as much as they could," he said.

Schell confirmed that Colourfest will return to Haliburton next year.

Winners from Saturday's festivities

The Colourfest prize tree – Emmeline Ruttle

Giant pumpkin contest – Tegan Legge (825 pounds)

IAMS pet contest:

- Best Smile: Buzz (Edward Sharp)
- Funniest Costume: Boo (Heather Peddi)
- Looks Most Like Owner: Chelsea (Anita Grant)
- Best Stupid Pet Trick: Sargent (Breann Rowley)
- Best Kisser: Blue (Margaret Harris)
- Best Dancer: Oliver (Ron Chaisor)

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- bunkie, clean deep water
- extensive deck and dock areas
- full finished lower walkout level
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Twelve Mile Lake \$599,000



Lindsay Elder**
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- 3 bdrm winterized Vicory
- 211 ft sand frontage with south exp
- 3 lake chain & big lake view



- well maintained rig/home - vaulted ceilings
- Generator installed - TURN KEY



Larry Hussey*
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ext 23



- 3 bedrooms
- detached 2 car garage
- extensive decking and docking
- natural shoreline
- deep water
- 3.39 acres & 187 frontage



- 3 bedrooms
- quiet motor restricted lake
- private waterfront - gradual entry sand bottom
- out building could easily be a bunkie
- year round road
- close to amenities

Park Like Lot \$279,900



- 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 1,100 sq. ft.
- 100 foot frontage, 1.37 acres
- gradual sand entry, deep water off dock
- large 2 tiered wrap around decking
- detached garage, lakeside storage bunnies

On The Waters Edge \$249,900



- 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, 920 sq. ft.
- expansive view on quiet lake
- lakeside screen porch, 17 x 10
- turn key set-up ready to enjoy
- new docking, 10' x 4' shed



Chris James*
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Long Lake \$229,000



- Well forested with towering pines
- south facing lot has 285' of frontage
- 2.4 acres to ensure privacy
- two lake chain, boating, sliding and fishing
- Haliburton village is close by for shopping & groceries

Salerno Lake \$469,000



- open concept living/dining & kitchen
- 5 bedrooms for family & friends
- year round private lot
- exceptionally well maintained cottage/home



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Little Redstone Lk \$985,000



- 172' of southwest exposure
- ultimate privacy, clean shoreline
- 5 bdrm custom built year round home
- 2 1/2 attached heated garage
- multi tiered decking, 10 x 10 bunkie
- 3 acres, perennial gardens, waterfalls and more

Country Living \$239,000



- 3 bedroom bungalow renovated throughout
- private 2 acre lot overlooking Cranberry Lake
- new furnace, windows, electric, insulation, plumbing
- master with ensuite, open concept, wood stove
- 1500 sq ft well maintained living space



Diane Knupp*
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White Lake Year Round \$599,900



- 5 bedroom, 3 bath luxury Vicory
- Wood floors, custom kitchen
- Master with ensuite, walkout to dock
- Detached 2 car garage, private lot
- Quiet lake, great views, south exposure
- 120 feet frontage, excellent swimming



- 3 bedroom PLUS separate rental bldg.
- Renovated throughout, new furnace
- New windows, insulation, electric, plumbing
- Large lower level rec room w/ fireplace
- Separate 1,200 sq rental office bldg.
- Situated in park-like setting, 2.5 acres

Two Family Home \$639,000



- 5 bedroom, 2.5 bath, 4,000 sq. ft.
- 120 ft frontage with clean sand shoreline
- full lower level walkout
- year round access with ample parking
- 26 x 24 detached/28 x 24 attached garage

Picadilly Bay \$799,900



- 165 ft frontage with south exposure
- clean deep water at docks end
- modern open concept with lots of pine
- 3 bedrooms, 3 baths, sunroom
- Stone floor to ceiling fireplace



Anthony vanLieshout***
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Irondale River \$275,000



- 1,100 sq ft open concept, 3 bedroom
- cathedral ceilings, hardwood floors
- propane fireplace in living rm & master bdrm
- includes stainless steel appliances
- private 5,000 sq ft stone patio at the water

2315 Loop Road \$129,900



- 3 bedroom in town home
- walkout basement
- large back yard
- upgraded high efficiency oil furnace
- view of Dark Lake



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Waterfront Home \$275,000



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- 260 ft frontage, 3.5 acres
- 3 bedrooms, 1 bath home
- garage/workshop with high ceilings
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- renovated kitchen, full basement

Quiet Lake \$299,000



- 3 bedroom, 1 bath, 864 sq. ft.
- 158 feet waterfront
- new 10 x 40 dock, new shed, swim raft
- turn key set-up ready to enjoy
- 4 season retreat potential



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ext 235

Haliburton Lake \$249,000



- 157 ft of sand & rock shoreline
- 3 bedroom, open concept
- new dock & woodstove
- completely furnished
- turn key ready to enjoy

Little Kennis Lk \$389,000



- Panabode log, 3 bedroom
- 153 feet south west exposure
- large deck
- private
- completely finished